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GILES (Croatia)



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BUSY YFAR A UNEY PLAYERS, F

The 12th season under the auspices of the New South Wales Federation is about to begin.

the visiting Dallas Tornado and a Sydney XI.

Then, next week, proceedings will start in earnest when the traditional preseason Ampol Cup kicks

Interstate matches

The year may be one of the busiest and most exciting for Sydney clubs, players - and spectators.

On the home front we may witness the most evenly is also under consideration. balanced competition on record.

the championship and some very much on the cards. of the other fringe benefits.

The curtain-raiser will be in interstate matches, NSW the crack Hungarian team Sydney.

> These may turn into "grudge matches" as argument over the last few years has only intensified as to the leading soccer State in Australia.

An interstate carnival the first since 1960 when Victoria finished ahead of South Australia in a threeday series in Melbourne -

A new-look Australia Cup, to be played under Some half a dozen teams floodlights midweek have the potential to win throughout the winter, is

f the other fringe benefits. The chances are that ments, possibly at home also After an unhappy break Sydney fans will see in July and overseas.

this week's friendly between will meet Victoria twice Ferencearos which has just team is almost certain to early this year - once in knocked out Liverpool from make yet another Asian Melbourne and once in the European Fair Cities' Cup.

> But apart from this ASFsponsored tour, the NSW Federation is also toying

One of these may be the planned. full Japan side which could NSW, Queensland and draw very large crowds and publicity.

Asian tours

Later in the year, the Australian team is likely to have some World Cup qualifying round commit-

And finally, the Aussie trip either to the Merdeka or the Saigon tourney perhaps to both.

Our juniors and under-23s will also be catered for with the idea of inviting some other overseas teams here.

and more international fix tures like last year's Triangular Tournament in New Caledonia are being

> All this means that Sydney players will have many goals to strive for: among them, to play for NSW and Australia.

> But the greatest beneficiaries may be the spectators who, if all goes well, will not only see an exciting, close-fought season, but some fine interstate and international clashes.



J. ALAGICH (Yugal)



GIACOMETTI (APIA)



CLISS (St. George)



MANUEL (Prague)



CILIA (Melita)



BAKER (Polonia)



SMITH (Pan Hellenic) MARNOCH (Hakoah)



TEXAN TEAM TO BRING NEW COLOR TO

Nearing the end of their 25,000-mile soccer safari, the colorful American Dallas Tornado team will launch the NSW season when they meet a Sydney XI at the Showground on Friday night.

The Texas-based team re- the fact that only the sole a tornado only in name and Division men, a few with an

They have an owner and finally, they are using Pacific. their current world trip through dozens of countries

together from its cosmopolitan not used to Texan methods.

The others were recruited But they are certainly a renot a mere president — in oil in Europe, assembled and freshing breeze, representing the season, they are likely to magnate Lamar Hunt; they tested in Spain, then taken a totally new approach to find the Sydney XI. more have 16 players of whom on this mammoth trip through professional soccer in which than a mouthful. only one is American-born; Europe, the Middle East, vast sums are invested in the they are fully professional; Asia, Australia and later the hope of later attracting a

FLAMBOYANT

components.

Lamar Hunt believes that soccer will become big business in America — so he doesn't mind investing this count for anything.

But the Dallas Tornado is train white yet plant and train whit

doesn't mind investing this small sum" in his team.

One of the many amazing pect this Tornado to sweep

Many of the Dallas play-

presents an entirely new con- American-born player has only a slight breeze on the interestive background. cept in soccer. has only a slight breeze on the interestive background. pen portraits on page 4

following and so recouping

1968 American season".

According to reliable estimates, it will cost some \$500,000 to weld this team together from its cosmorphism.

The big way in which this world tour has been anything but glorious; so far of about prepared no doubt staggers 30 matches they have only the Australian soccer public, won seven.

Their main purpose is to But the Dallas Tornado is "train while you play" and

features about this team is us off our feet; they may be ers are former European First the match.

pen portraits on page 4.)

However, even so early in

ENTERTAINING

Unless the Sydney players The team's record on this run out of steam because of their suspect early condition. they should hand out the visitors a fairly convincing beating in what may turn out to be an entertaining match.

The likely Sydney XI: Cor-

Tony Boskovic will referee

The Marks Field is unlikely to be available for Ampol Cup night matches this year.

The City Council has agreed to the request of the NSW Amateur Athletic Association who requested full use of the ground for training purposes throughout the summer months atsoccer's expense.

Friday night Ampol Cup double-headers will almost certainly be played at the Sydney Showground as in 1965.

The NSW Federation Executive has lodged a strong protest with the City Council for its arbitrary decision.

The Sydney clubs, too, are furious about the switch.

They have approached the Management: Committee to seek a reversal of the City Council's decision.

But there is only a slim hope the Marks Field will be available as from next Friday.

TRANSFER MARKET MOVES

	Joined	May join	Left	May leave
A.P.I.A.	NICOLI (Italy) CRINO (Italy) SANTORO (Argentina)	KEDDIE (Cumberland) GAUTO (Prague) TELFER (St. George) SEYMOUR (Polonia) KEITH (Hakoah-Melbourne)	RIVERO (Argentina)	ACKERLEY (?) HUGHES (Hakoah or Meli Eagles) JURISIC (Yugal)
Canterbury		VASSILOPOULOS (return from Greece)		G. HOOD (Hakoah) G. CLARKE (St. George) K. KAUZ (?)
Croatia	DOVE (England)	WRIGHT (Lake Macquarie)	TYRRELL (Ireland) BONHAM (Ireland)	REYNOLDS (?)
Hakoah		PERIN (Juventus SA) D. KEDDIE (Forfar, Scotland) HUGHES (APIA) J. KEDDIE (Cumberland) G. HOOD (Canterbury)	HARDING (England) WALSH (England)	WILSON (?) COLLINS (?)
Manly		T. HOBART (New Guinea) M. DOBBIN (New Guinea)		
Melita Eagles	GOLDIE (Auburn) DE BRUIN (St. George) BLACK (Illawarra Juniors) BROWN (Illawarra Juniors) BRENNAN (Auburn) SMITH (Auburn) G. QUESTED (Auburn) WOLOWSZCYKOW (CHS) WHITEFIELD (England) R. ARRIGHI (Canterbury)	NEMET (Hungaria-Wellington, NZ) WRIGHT (Lake Macquarie) HUGHES (APIA)		MULQUEENEY (SCU)
Pan Hellenic		SAVIDIS (Greece) R. KELLY (Coalstars, Qld.)	DOUNIAS (Greece) MAGLIS (Europe)	
Polonia-N.S.	THEILER (Hellenic, Qld.) URBANIAK (Polonia, SA)		GAWLIK (?) NOWACKI (retired) GAIK (Poland)	ROOT (?) OWERS (?) BELL (?) SEYMOUR (APIA)
Prague	MOLNAR (Inter Bratislava) Dr. BUNJA (coach Inter Bratislava)			GAUTO (APIA) BOND (?) HRNCIR (?) POVEY (?)
South Coast United	RAMAGE (St. George) AKERS (St. George) KELLY (Fleetwood)	MULQUEENEY (Melita Eagles)	SALISBURY (Balgownie)	TOLSON (?) PATERSON (?) BARNETT (?)
St. George- Budapest	HOPKINS (Cumberland) SCHAUMAN (South Africa)	ABONYI (Melbourne-Hungaria) G. CLARKE (Canterbury)	AKERS (SCU) RAMAGE (SCU) ISAAC (Argentina) DE BRUIN (Melita Eagles)	TELFER (APIA)
Yugal		WRIGHT (Lake Macquarie) F. LANG (St. George) JURISIC (APIA) RINGHOFF (Lake Macquarie)	DJUKIC (Canada)	

Saint George-Budapest \$ made a fine impression during their seven-day visit to New Caledonia just before Christmas. Beaten 3-4 by the full New Caledonian national team in their first match at Noumea, they held New Caledonia to a scoreless draw in the return game before beating Vallee du Tir, the island's champion team, 3-2. Nounewspapers were lavish in their praise and rated St. George the best Australiau side to visit New Caledonia. All three matches attracted large crowds, enabling the local organisers to show an unexpected profit from the lightning tour.

soccer player ever allowed to Phone 2-3469. play abroad since the end of the war. Molnar, 31, played Czechoslovakian squad in recently returned from Euroboth the 1958 and 1962 pe. World Cup finals.

A Basic Skills Coaching keeper, BOBBY PINES, left Course will be held on February 10, 11, 24 and 25 at Australia.

Wilson Street Park, St. Marys. Fifty to sixty coaches from KEN HIRON, the former the NEPEAN DISTRICTS Prague full-back, has been Association are expected to appointed coach take part. Present indications year's Second Division finalthat the Association will ists, Sutherland Shire. field 160 teams — an increase of 23 — this year. Penrith (Lane Cove United have Council has designated a appointed JOCK AIRD as the piece of land for use as a senior club coach. Contrary major soccer oval by the to an earlier announcement,
Nepean Association and Pen- Lane Cove's home matches rith District Soccer Club. The will be played at Pottery land is at Kingswood.

mother passed away while he Park for the training of junwas in New Caledonia with iors. St. George. Sokoloff left the team to fly home for the

Hakoah skipper TREVOR the off-season when his wife gave birth to a baby girl. The Edwards now have two sons and two daughters.

RICARDO CAMPANA and JOHN WATKISS will be fit to play for APIA in the Ampol Cup. Campana has recovered from a cartilage operation last October and Watkiss has got over the injury which forced him out of every match of the 1967

The wife of Prague's young fullback, GEOFF HARCOM-BE, gave birth to a baby son. Harcombe voluntarily gave up a trip to New Caledonia with the Australian under-23 team to remain with his wife before her confinement.

Corrimal girl Diane Richards new club in 1968. recently. Paterson has been placed on the transfer list by South Coast, at his own re- international inside-forward, quest, but so far there have has returned from England been no offers.

BANKSTOWN Soccer ance on the Sydney scene was Club has officially amalgam when Bankstown were still ated with Bankstown Soccer in First Division. Club Ltd. — the social club

LAURIE DIMECH, editor NELSON STIFFLE, one of the "Maltese Herald", has Bankstown's stalwart forbeen appointed an Honorary wards for many years, has been appointed an Honorary wards for many years, has Division players from Greece Polish international halfback, Vice-President of Melita Eag- retired as a player and will whose names must remain has applied for the coaching formula to the coaching the company of the coaching that the coaching the company of the coaching that the

SYDNEY CLUB PATR

Melita Eagles may strike a snag with the signing of New Zealand international STEFAN NEMET, who starred for the Kiwis in the Saigon tournament two months ago. Nemet, a Yugoslav-born winger of Hungarian descent, has settled in Sydney and played for the Eagles against APIA last Sunday, but his Wellington club slapped a \$5,000 transfer fee on him.

BARRY SALISBURY of engaged by Second Division his very first match with Balgownie to coach the side South Coast, is chafing at the during the 1968 season.

South Coast, is chafing at the bit to resume playing and will

Several ILLAWARRA teams are expected to be in- day at Woonona. Any promising juniors keen cluded in an all-age Sunday to make the grade with YU- competition conducted by the GAL should report to the training sessions on Monday, Wednesday or Friday at Out.

Wednesday or Friday at Out.

Shoalhaven, Bowral and the *** er Wentworth Park at 6 p.m. Illawarra area are eligible to * * * enter. Closing date for nomin-PAVEL MOLNAR, Pra- ations is January 30, and gue's new forward from In- further details can be obtainternational Bratislava, is the ed from Secretary Len Boldbest known Czechoslovakian en, 90 Anne St., Nowra.

MARCONI have engaged a

Sutherland's brilliant goal-

(Lane Cove United have Green as the Council's plans to returf the oval have been It was a sad off-season for postponed for 12 months. The long-serving Council has given permission NICK SOKOLOFF. His to the club to use Blackman

new contract this year. Hugh- first team masseur.



PAT HUGHES

es is almost certain to be transferred and there is a DENIS PATERSON, who good chance that Ackerley, new season. Dove, 21, (a toured Noumea with Aust- the Australian national team utility forward) originally ralia's under-23 team, married fullback, may also play for a came here with his parents

and will be playing again for Bankstown. His last appear-

at Stacey Street, Bankstown. tles, to manage their reserves. season.

devote all his time to coach- secret until they have signed ing the "Towns".

EAN CUTHRERT, who South Coast United has been suffered a fractured leg in bit to resume playing and will probably play in the "friendly" against Croatia next Sun-

JOE ALAGICH's wife gave

JOHN RATTENBURY. Sutherland's right full-back last year's semifinals, will not play this season.

GEORGE STREETER has been appointed secretary of Western Suburbs to relieve regularly for Czechoslovakia's full-time coach for 1968. He some of the work off the A" team for eight years is Marcello Svoronich, the shoulders of Gordon Strat-He was also a member of the former APIA forward, who ford, who remains secretarymanager of the Social Club.

> NOWACKI, Polonia-North Side's long-serving depointment.



NSW Federation president JIM BAYUTTI was one of the NSW delegates at this week's Citizenship Convention in Canberra.

CANTERBURY and PRAfender, has retired and is GUE will play a trial match, looking for a coaching ap- starting at 9 a.m., on Saturday at Arlington Oval.

NSW Federation president Jim Bayuttti, on behalf of the Management Committee and the Sydney soccer public, sent a cable of condoleances to Tony Eggleton, Press Secretary to the late Prime Minister, Harold Holt, last month, conveying his deepest sympathy to Mrs. Holt for the loss of her husband. This is Mr. Eggleton's reply, dated Jan-

uary 5: "I have passed on your words of sympathy to Mrs. Holt, and she has asked me to thank you

most sincerely. It was very thoughtful of you your gesture was much appreciated. has been of comfort to know that so many people have shared our sadness in the loss of this great Australian".

funeral just before Christmas. ANTICO, gets married on should ring Prague secretary with Croatia again. He under-# * * George Warner at 32-5150. went an off-season operation George Warner at 32-5150. * * * Prague are looking for an for a nose injury sustained STAN ACKERLEY and assistant-masseur who will be during last year's semifinals. EDWARDS became a father for the fourth time during STAN ACKERLEY and assistant-masseur who will be during last year's PAT HUGHES are at odds taught all the tricks of the FRANK CUSH, with APIA over terms for a trade by their experienced Croatia "crock", die with APIA over terms for a trade by their experienced Croatia "crock", did not, after

> St. George fullback HER-BERT STEGBAUER will return from his Austrian holiday early in March. His place in Saints' defence during the Ampol Cup is almost certain interested in signing on new

NORTH-END in Pennant Hills Road, Pennant Hills. to take Hornsby's first competition match in April.

from England in time for the but became homesick and went to the UK late in 1966. RON HEWITT, the Welsh Now, apparently, he's coming back for good.

BLACKTOWN UNITED. relegated last season from Second Division, have amalgamated with Blacktown Spartans — the champion under-16 side in the Nepean Soccer — and all home games of the Melita Eagles have en-Association. The young playsenior club will now be play-gaged ARTHUR SMITH, ers will form the nucleus of ed at the latter's own ground who formerly coached This-Blacktown United in the new

* * * Anybody interested in Club stalwart, JACK APIA secretary, JOHNNY learning to be a MASSEUR CURRY, is in full training went an off-season operation another all, require a cartilage oper-

> ARNCLIFFE SCOTS, the amateur inter-suburban club is to be filled by former Vic- players for 1968, preferably torian, Barry Taylor, who residing in the St. George missed most of last season. area. Trial games will start next month, Players interested got hitched on December 9. in trying out should contact Work is well under way on buildings and the oval itself at the ground of HORNSBY Grant at 599-2147.

> Depending on the weather, the project should be ready Poland next month.
>
> ANDREW GARRY COLORS TO Further inquiries, ring secretary W. Charr at 68-4083. * * *

> TIBOR ZUCKERMAN be- STADE FRANCAIS play-Croatia expect former NSW junior representative, TONY
>
> came a proud father for the first time two weeks ago when his wife gave birth to secretary W. Charr re train-DOVE, to return to Australia from England in time for the

Two top junior officials have joined CANTERBURY's Management Committee. They are Reg Gray, the president of the Canterbury Jun-ior Association, and former Association president, Jack

there is any strife in the club despite the resignation of top Darlinghurst, at 2 p.m. next officials, Dr. Rossleigh and Sunday, January 21. On Satur-Messrs. Rechniewski and Ma-day, January 27, the club will komaski. The club's only hold a function at their precomplaint is an aenemic look- mises to crown the winner of ing balance sheet — a probthe "Miss Yugal" contest. lem they share with most * * * Sydney clubs. Polonia have no fears about 1968, are look- SON and DAVID ZEMAN ing forward to a successful season and are confident of finishing much higher up the and will only resume trainladder than last year. * * *

Prague have adopted LADIES' soccer team which will take the field under their name. Any ladies with some knowledge of the game are invited to contact secretary George Warner (32-5150). Prague are planning a full-scale competition for women including teams from other First Division clubs.

Polonia have signed two interstate players: Hellenic-Brisbane goalie HERMANN THEILER and 20-year-old Brisbane goalie HERMANN er than Corry and Romano-THEILER and 20-year-old wicz, Australia's two goalies Polonia-Adelaide forward RI-CHARD LIBRANIAN len's transfer on tour with the "A" team CHARD URBANIAK.

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SARAVAKOS, the former star Canterbury forward is still serving his three-year Sydney suspension and can-not play in Greece until next year. Saravakos is now working as a baker and is thoroughly unhappy about the suspension which has caused him great marital and fin- not been confirmed as Can-

JOHN WARREN married all, require a cartilage oper- Miss Maria Wilson on Decation and his injured knee is ember 29. The newly-weds restanding up well to early turned from a New Zealand honeymoon yesterday. War-ren's wedding and honeymoon forced him out of the Sydney XI which plays Dallas Tornadoes on Friday night. The Australian skipper wasn't the only Saint married during the off-season: Roger Hillary

A Council meeting of the EASTERN SUBURBS Association will be held on Wednesday, January 31, at 8 p.m. ANDREW GAIK, the clev- at the Randwick Institute. For

The NSW Federation is keen to invite FERENC PUSKAS as a guest player for the two matches NSW will play against Ferencearos in Sydney this winter. Federation president Jim Bayutti is anxious to invite Puskas to fly out from America, where he will be coaching in 1968, with his wife to be the guests of the NSW Federation during the Ferencvaros tour. Bayutti is confident that the inclusion of the world-famous former Hungarian and Real Madrid inside-forward in the NSW line-up against his former countrymen will greatly enhance the drawing power of Ferencearos in Sydney.

YUGAL's Annual General POLONIA strongly deny Meeting will be held at their clubrooms, Crown

Prague's MILES MOULwill miss most of the Ampol Cup. Both are on holidays ing at the end of the month.

Western Suburbs will use DRUMMOYNE OVAL for all their home matches this

Pan Hellenic are confident of signing Queensland's brilliant young goalkeeper, ROSS KELLY, custodian of the national under-23 team which played in New Caledonia last November. Kelly, an Australian who hails from the Coalstars club, is rated even highlast year.

ABN Channel 2 is again screening the BbC's mache of the day". Every Thursday night at around 10.20 p.m. highlights of one of England's top matches of the previous Saturday are shown.

terbury coach for 1968. The club's reserve grade coach will be in charge of the Berries during the Ampol

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- By KEITH GILMOUR -

Last month's Annual Meeting of the NSW Amateur Football Association at Sydney's Chevron Hotel provided one of the most heartening examples of soccer's development that one could

The Orient Room provided a fitting atmosphere for the gathering.

President Bruce Pleasant set the pace for the packed No such gain is ex-meeting to concentrate its perienced at Gunnedah, yet efforts on the problems at

Views on all topics an earnest attitude directed towards the betterment of football.

Vivian Chalwin, an Association patron, conveyed his good wishes for 1968 progress.

Jim Bayutti, Federation president, firmly emphasised the growing bond between Federation and the

His keynote was that, with the expertise now available in soccer, increasing harmony, and the leadership that the Federation intended to provide, the code can prove to the public that the Vietnam Tournament success, the Manchester United tour, and the standard of the Premiership Grand Final were but a foretaste of what soccer will be providing in future years.

Bayutti was able to assure the meeting of the Federa-tion's practical help in overcoming some of the financial strains imposed by the amateurs switching over to the State-wide show its advantages the branch system of operation. State branch system of operation. Childs' new address Ryd "Soccer World" editor Paul Dean gave the meeting a guide to how the paper could be geared to give the Associations the Ku-ring-gai meets up-to-the-minute cover they were seeking in increasing

The most remarkable feature of the meeting centred around the country personalities present.

Delegates from the Far South Coast (Bateman's Bay to Eden and Bombala) rubbed shoulders and exchanged ideas with others from Armidale, and a other far-flung

Northern Tablelands

Howard Wheaton, the Northern NSW president, could point with pride to to soccer, and encouraging the clubs in towns such as tion against all-comers.
Guyra, Uralla and Walcha. There has been a b

grades are conducted, with extension to under-18 this year.

Senior clubs have their graduate. own separate league.

If your inclination is to say "so what," then please reflect that not many years ago soccer was almost nonexistent on the Northern Tablelands.

Soccer's third year on the Far South Coast was a thriving one.

Senior clubs in the area are Moruya/Batemans Bay, Bega, Eden, Merimbula and Bombala, and Narooma is expected to come in this

Players of proved ability in Sydney such as Mick Bell, George Edmonds and Bernie Morgan are now playing senior football in

The city has 45 junior teams backing up its five

AMATEURS SET Many youngsters in FINE EXAMPLE visiting U.S. team

These are the members of the visiting Dallas Tornado team:

Tamworth's standard increase is due to the influx of players resulting from employment transfers.

seven senior clubs and 15 junior teams are fielded. Gunnedah president

varied, but there was always Geoff Morgan is proud of junior wins over touring Bankstown Thistle and Wallsend junior teams.

This Association would send its representatives anywhere in the State for the chance of pulling off a State title.

Drawback

The City of Blue Mountains Association is trying to have the position of Springwood club clarified.

The Association is not large, and needs Spring-wood to join with Hazel-Katoomba, Leura and Blackheath to guarantee sound competitions.

Springwood last year played in the Nepean Association, which has 139

The infrequency of trains a drawback, and availability of parents with cars would give more flexibility in travel and save much waste time.

Amateur secretary David Childs expects that the new State branch system will its advantages this

20 Myrtle Street, Rydalmere, 'phone 638-1448.

Ku-ring-gai district is trying to come to grips with the problems which so far have prevented the district from making any impact in senior football.

A public meeting has been convened for Wednesday, January 24, at the Hornsby Memorial Hall at

p.m. Main topic for discussion will be Ku-ring-gai's par-ticipation in the Inter-Suburban League, and the under-14, 15 and 16 District Representative Leagues.

results have started to flow almost 1,000 juniors in results have started to flow Armidale's nine clubs and in representative competi-

There has been a big wastage of players amongst Under-8 to under-16 the 3,500 juniors in the district boundaries, due to lack of a district club to which its players can

Ku-ring-gai Walter de Ste Croix, also a qualified coach, is urging a new attitude towards the senior amateur club and representative football from all juniors.

Players, officials, parents and supporters are invited to the meeting, and also to contact Mr. D. M. Allen on 44-4717.

With new Austin Sheath at the helm, administration has im-

This year should see a real build-up in referees, overcoming another Kuring-gai bugbear.

If next Wednesday proves a success, football throughout the district could be revitalised and given a greater sense of

forward, born Amsterdam, Holland. Good playmaker and equally adept with either foot. Has good, tough aggressive style.

Jan BOOK, forward, born Huskvarna, Sweden. An avid sportsman, Jan also enjoys table

also enjoys table tennis, tennis and ice hockey. William "Billy" CROS-BIE, born Liverpool, Eng-

Hans Petter ENGER, goalkeeper, born Oslo, Nor-Anders FAGRI, centreforward, born Oslo, Nor-

Edward HALL, fullback, born Liverpool, England. Member of Cheshire's Cup Finals team in 1966, Ed also is an outstanding cricket player.

Brian HARVEY, half Brian HARVET,
born Liverpool, England.
English Youth Cup finalist
Denmark. Started playing Tom WEINHOLD
soccer at the age of eight. half, born Oslo, Norway.

Sunday, January 28.

March 17, at Wentworth Park.

7.30 p.m. Prague v. Croatia; 8.55 p.m. APIA v. Melita

2.15 p.m. Polonia v. St. George; 3.35 p.m. Pan Hellenic

7.30 p.m. Pan Hellenic v. Po- v. Yugal. lonia; 8.55 p.m. South Coast Sun., M

rge; 3.35 v. Yugal.

Hakoah.

however, won't end with the 3.35

David MOORCROFT, half, born Liverpool, England. An outstanding defensive player, but also shoots well with either foot.

John Patrick MOORE, forward, born St. Louis, USA. Native American, member of United States Collegiate Champion teams. Captain of St. Louis All-Stars against Glasgow Celtic and Dundee. Member of United States Olympic centre-forward, born Halm-team. Graduate of St. stad, Sweden. Member of Louis University.

Frank RANDORF, full-

FRIDAY START

OF AMPOL CUP

12 points for a win, five for a draw and nil for a loss, and one "bonus" point for each 7.30 p.m. Polonia v. Yugal; goal scored — will again 8.55 p.m. Pan Hellenic v. South Coast.

The leading two teams at Sun., Feb. 18 (Went. Pk.): the conclusion of the round- 2.15 p.m. APIA v. Manly; tobin competition will qualify 3.35 p.m. Prague v. Melita

for the semifinals, to be played Eagles.
under floodlights at the Showground, on Friday, March 15. 7.30 p.m. Croatia v. Melita
The final will be played Eagles; 8.55 p.m. APIA v.
two days later, on Sunday, Canterbury.

March 17. at Wentwarth Park

Sun. Feb. 25. (Went. Player)

The Ampol Cup this year, 2.15 p.m. St. George v. Yugal; owever, won't end with the 3.35 p.m. Pan Hellenic v.

Sydney final.

On March 22 and March
24 the Sydney and Melbourne
cup winners will meet in a
two-legged "home and away"
series for a special interstate
challenge cup.

The full hard of the sydney and Melbourne
ground): 7.30 p.m. South
Coast v. St. George; 8.55
p.m. Hakoah v. Polonia.

Sun., March 3 (Went. Pk.):
2.15 p.m. Canterbury v. Pra-

Fri., Jan. 26 (Showground): gue; 3.35 p.m. Manly v. Cro-atia.

Fri., Feb. 2 (Showground): ita Eagles; 3.35 p.m. Hakoah

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Sun., Jan. 28 (Went. Pk.): Prague; 8.55 p.m. APIA v.

15 p.m. Polonia v. St. Goo. Croatia

2.15 p.m. Canterbur

at the Showground on Friday night, January 26, and Wentworth Park on

Sun., Feb. 25 (Went. Pk.):

Sat., March 9 (Went. Pk.):

Sun., March 10 (Went. Pk.):

2.15 p.m. South Coast v. Po-

2.15 p.m. Canterbury v. Mel-

The Ampol Cup kicks off next week with first round double-headers

John STEWART, full-back, born Liverpool, Eng-Aggressive, hard tackler and fast.

Graham STIRLAND, forward, born Liverpool, England.

Alfons STOFFELS, forward, born Amsterdam, Holland. Played for Amsterdam's Youth team in 1963.

Chris TONNING. stad, Sweden. Member of the Swedish Junior Cup Championship team in

WEINHOLDT,

ground): Semifinals.

Head coach and manager — Bob KAP, 44. A former professional player and coach in Yugoslavia, Kap is a graduate of the Budapest College of Physical Education (the famous Hungarian coaching school) as well as the author of five books and several hundred articles on soccer.

Dates for two Cups

These are the dates for the quarterfinals of both European Cups:

CHAMPIONS' CUP Eintracht Braunschweig v. Juventus — January 31, February 28.

Real Madrid v. Sparta Prague — March 6, March 20. Manchester United v. Gornik Zabrze - February 28,

March 13. Vasas Budapest v. Benfica

March 6, March 14.

CUPWINNERS' CUP

Hamburger SV v. Olympique Lyon - February 21,

Standard Liege v. AC Mi-lan — February 28, March 13' Valencia v. Bayern Munchen - January 31, March

Cardiff City v. Torpedo Moscow — February 28, March 19.

The first leg will be played on the ground of the team whose name comes first.

The semifinal draw for both As in the past two seasons, Sun., Feb. 4 (Went. Pk.): lonia; 3.55 p.m. Pan Hellenic the 12 First Division teams 2.15 p.m. Manly v. Canter- v. St. George. will be divided into two bury; 3.35 p.m. APIA v. Pra- Fri., March 15 (Show-Cups will be made in Zurich; Switzerland, on March 22.

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groups, which are:

Group "A": APIA, Manly,
Canterbury, Prague, Croatia,
Melita Eagles.
Group "B": Pan Hellenic, v. Croatia.
South Coast, Hakoah, Polonia, St. George, Yugal.
The unique score system—gal; 3.35 p.m. Hakoah v. St.

12 points for a win, five for George.

ground): Semifinals.
Sun., March 17 (Went. Pk.):
Final.
Fri., March 22 (Show-ground): Sydney winner v.
Melbourne winner (1st leg).
Sun., March 24 (Olympic Pk., Melbourne): Sydney winner v. Melbourne winner (2nd The draw for the European Championship quarterfinals made in Paris on Tues-day: USSR v. Hungary; Pk., Melbourne): Sydney win-ner v. Melbourne winner (2nd garia v. Italy; England or

SYDNEY PROGRAM

THIS WEEKEND

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

TRIAL MATCHES

South Coast v. Croatia — Woonona Oval, 3.30 p.m. 3t. George v. Pan Hellenic — Wentworth Park, 2.45 p.m. APIA v. Hakoah - Wentworth Park, 3.45 pm.

NEXT WEEKEND

AMPOL CUP

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26

Prague v Croatia - Showground, 7.30 Melita Eagles v. APIA - Showground, 8.55 p.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

Polonia-NS v. St. George — Wentworth Park, 2.15 p.m. Pan Hellenic v. Yugal — Wentworth Park, 3.35 p.m.

INTERNATIONAL SOCCER

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WORLD CUP DRAW MADE JIM KELLY KEEPS COAST GUESSING ON FEB. 1 IN MOROCCO

Entries for the 1970 World Cup closed on December 31 with 71 countries, including automatic final qualifiers, Mexico, the hosts, and England, the holders nominating for the Jules Rimet Cup.

Africa: Algeria, Cameroons, Zealand. Ethiopia, Ghana, Libya, Morocco, Nigeria, Rhodesia, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colomrocco, Nigeria, Rhodesia, Sudan, Tunisia, Zambia. Asia: Israel, Japan, North

Korea, South Korea.

Europe: Austria, Belgium,
Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Cyprus, Denmark, England (automatic qualifier), Finland, France, East Germany, West Germany, Greece, Hungary, Northern Ireland, Eire, Italy, Luxemburg, Holland, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Rumania, Scotland, Spain, Swed-en, Switzerland, Turkey, Asia an

NSW will seek permis-

the Sydney Grand Final.

only go ahead with plans

to sponsor the visit of a

foreign side with official

ASF blessing, and only if the tour does not interfere

with any international plans

The feeling among NSW

Management Committee members is that NSW can

make a success of such a

visit by going it alone, just as they did in 1959 with

Deportiva Saprissa from

tion for a new-look, stream-lined Australia Cup, to be

played midweek throughout

the winter months, is im-plemented, the end of Sep-

will be free to accommodate

an overseas team.

the national body may

envisage.

NSW may invite

team for visit

sion from the Australian impossible to secure at that

Federation to bring a team, time of the year, but any

preferably from Asia, after number of Asian national

The NSW Federation Korea or Indonesia would

an overseas team at the end of the season.

has made it clear it will be available.

The NSW Federation will consider inviting

FIFA's World Cup Organising Committee will meet in
Casablanca, Morocco, on
February 1 to draw up the
preliminary elimination groups.
The following countries
have entered the competition:

Africa: Algeria Camacoans

Caribbean: Bermuda, Canada, having proved their worth in
England and Africa threatenmg another mass walk-out unless their demand for automatic inclusion in the finals
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the Mexico finalist.

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74 national associations had sent their entry, 71 had only been accepted by the Organising Committee, but only took effective part in the KOREAN PROBLEM preliminary competition after the mass withdrawal of African nations and three Asian successes of their Olympic

Asia and Africa are practi-North-Central America and Africa are practically assured of a berth each in the final 16, North Korea

European teams would be

sides, such as Japan, South

The NSW Federation is

confident that a three or

four-match tour by any of

the above-mentioned Asian

sides in September-October

NSW is prepared to share the costs with other

States willing to accommo-

date the visitors at the com-

pletion of the NSW section

There is every prospect,

that if such a tour comes

ture, one of the tangible results of the "get-together" between NSW and Vic-torian officials last month

in Melbourne, when it was

would co-operate more

closely in the future.

will prove a success.

of the tour.

osta Rica.

off this year, it will be a

If NSW's recommenda- joint NSW-Victoria ven-

tember and early October decided the two States

a surprise, but though numbers may be lacking, the quality is there.

Actually, with the sole ex-

For the 1966 World Cup, Cup, Israel doing so in the Asian zone for the first time unsuccessful attempts in Europe.

Japan, encouraged by the South Korea deprived them of the right to play in the final 16 in Switzerland.

The entries of both Koreas will again embarrass FIFA, both countries steadfastly refusing to meet in international competition.

Asia's nominations are of vital concern to Australia because the Organising Committee on February 1 is almost certain to lump New Zealand and us, the Oceanic Confederation entries, in the

same group as the Asians. I have a strong hunch that FIFA will split the Asian and Oceanic entries in two sub-groups.

This way they can get around the huge travelling costs involved and also solve, though perhaps only tempor-arily, the political tangle of an all-Korean clash.

Don't be surprised if Australia, New Zealand and South Korea are grouped together, while North Korea, Israel and Japan battle it out in the

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be lacking, the appear unbalanced, the second being by far the stronger, these sub-groupings would bia, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru, ception of Burma, Asia's top vided, of course, Australia to the course, Australia does the right thing and elidoes the right thing and eli-minates South Korea, otherthe unsurmountable problem of a South Korea v North Korea - who should breeze through their group - clash will again have to be faced in the play-off.

It is most regrettable that team, have entered for the the Australian Federation will first time since 1954 when not be represented at Casablanca.

We should have a man on the spot, not so much for the actual draw, but in the thick of the intensive, behind-thescenes lobbying which invariably precedes the meeting of the World Cup Organising Committee.

NOT REPRESENTED

It would be to Australia's advantage that our voice be heard when the big decisions are made, and also after the groups have been announced.

An ASF official in Casablanca could tie up most of the dates and venues of Australia's elimination matches within a matter of hours instead of again going through the agony and suspense which characterized our 1965 World Cup venture.

FOOTNOTE - The Australian Federation is not planning to send a man to Casa-blanca. World Cup Organising Committee member H.H. Cavan, of Northern Ireland, will represent Oceania.

The ASF secretariat said this week it hoped Australia and New Zealand would be paired off in an Oceanic group, the winner to meet Asia's elimination round survivor for a berth in Mexico in a two-legged play-off.

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Jim Kelly's delayed arrival in Australia to coach South Coast United is surrounded by a shroud of secrecy, not because he will be more than four weeks overdue, but because of conflicting reports about his physical condition and availability to serve as a player as well as a coach.

South Coast United offi- to himself. cials can neither confirm nor "We will be just as happy deny a report that Jim Kelly

— the former Blackpool star

— has not played with his present club, Fleetwood, for one-year contract with South nearly 12 months.

Though the two groups

Kelly, who coached South
Coast from 1961 to 1965, is expected to return to coach the club on February 3.

United are eager to have date. him as a playing coach to arrest the dwindling home



JIM KELLY ... conflicting reports.

attendances at Woonona, but at this stage are still uncertain as to whether he would play.

Training has already started on the Coast, and pending the arrival of Jim Kelly, the club has appointed Jim Harris as

South Coast United secret-

Coast, with the option of an additional three years.

He will come to Australia

alone, and his wife and three children may follow at a later

Jim Harris, a former South Coast captain-coach, has confirmed that he will not be playing this year despite Kelly's keenness to see him

resume playing for the club.

Harris coached Second Division club Balgownie last season and although, if asked, he may take a coaching job, he is content to call off his playing days at the age of 30.

South Coast badly needs revitalisation and a super effort by someone with the personality and ability of Jim Kelly may be the answer to many the club's problems.

There is some discontent within the club, which resulted in Max Tolson and Dennis Paterson being placed on the transfer list.

Last season's coach Graham Barnett missed the initial training session with the Coast and he too is expected to be on the transfer list soon.

Barry Salisbury, South Coast United's "Mr. Versa-tile" has signed as non-play-ing coach with Balgownie and has already conducted a summer coaching school which was an outstanding success.

Woonona Sportsground Trevis Birch, said this South Coast's home ground week that the club was bring- was recently re-turfed and reing Kelly back to coach the drained, and will be in tipthree teams, but whether top playing condition when Kelly played was entirely up the competition starts.

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Will be holding pre-season trials in January. New players will be welcomed. Contact Secretary, 18 Bevin Avenue, Fivedock, telephone 83-8672.

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European Cup draw

The draw for the quarterfinals of the European Champions' Cup is: Real Madrid v. Sparta Prague, Manchester United v. Gornik Zabrze, Vasas Budapest v. Benfica and Juventus Turin v. Eintracht Braunschweig.

Celtic tops poll

A poll conducted by TASS, the Soviet news wire service, among European and South American soccer editors to find the ten best club teams in the world in 1967 gave the following results: 1 Celtic (Scotland), 2 Manchester United (England), 3 Racing Buenos Aires (Argentina), 4 Santos (Brazil), 5 Botafogo (Brazil), 6 Ferencvaros (Hungary), 7 Inter Milan (Italy), 8 Bayern Munchen (West Germany), 9 Dynamo Kiev (USSR), 10 Real Madrid (Spain).

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Ferencyaros knock Liverpool out

Ferencevaros, the Hungarian champions who will tour Australia this winter, knocked Liverpool out of the European Fair Cities' Cup to reach the quarterfinals of the competition they won in 1965. Ferencevaros beat Liverpool 1-0 in England last week after having won the first leg, also 1.0 in Budgnest last Nevember Leads United also 1-0, in Budapest last November. Leeds Unifed, last year's finalists, fared better than their countrymen. They knocked Hibernian (Scotland) out to reach the quarterfinals.

American war is over

The big soccer feud in the United States is over. The two professional leagues have merged into one body which has been recognized by the USFA. The rival leagues resolved their quarrel at a meeting held at FIFA's Zurich headquarters on December 16. A series of meetings this month in America will iron out the numerous problems which still exist. The biggest headache confronting officials is who will foot the staggering hill which still exist. The biggest headache confronting officials is who will foot the staggering bill the "rebels' have run up for poaching scores of foreign players. A decision also has to be made whether the best clubs of both leagues will play in a single competition, or whether the US will conduct two competitions in 1968.

mut Haller and Jurgen Schutz, now operating in Italy.

Karoly Soos has taken over from Rudolf Illovszky as Hungarian national team coach. Soos managed the East German national team for seven years. Illovszky will restrict his activities to coaching European Cup quarter-finalist, Vasas.

Gyorgy Honti, 58, secretary of the Hungarian

Another "team of the year"

According to IDDROTSBLADET, the influential Swedish sports newspaper, the 1967 "team of the world" was: Banks (England), Marzolini (Argentina), J. Charlton (England), Moore (England), Facchetti (Italy), Beckenbauer (West Germany), Bobby Charlton (England), Johnstone (Scotland), Eusebio (Portugal), Pele (Brazil), Best (N. Ireland).



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Tottenham paid a British record transfer fee of £125,000 sterling for Southampton's under-23 English international forward, Martin Chivers. Tottenham gave Southampton a cheque for £75,000 plus forward Saul, worth £50,000, for the brilliant Chivers. Since manager Bill Nicholson took over, Tottenham have spent more than £1 million sterling in transfers.

 The Hungarian Olympic team defeated Deportiva Saprissa 3-1 in Costa Rica last month. This is the same Central American club beaten 4-2 (twice) and 6-1 by NSW in 1959.

• Anzor Kavazachvili, the Torpedo goalie who toured Australia in 1965, received Russia's supreme sporting accolade: he has been awarded the title of

 Botafogo have won the Rio championship and in Chile the title went to Universidad Chile of Santiago.

The first two rounds of the European Champions'

class forward, Asparoukhov, will play for Hajduk Split in Yugoslavia this year. The Bulgarian star is to study at Split's famous Nautical Sciences Academy.

The El Salvador government refused entry visas

Milutin Soskic, the world-rated Yugoslav goal-keeper, will return to Partizan Belgrade when his contract with FC Koln expires in June.

Jozsef Bozsik, the great halfback of the Hungarian wonder team of 1948-54 has agreed to coach

Yugoslav club Sarajevo, last year's First Division champ-

 Panathinaikos, the ace Greek club which failed to sign up Tom Docherty, are now negotiating with the famous former Yugoslav forward, Bobek. He has been

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• Karoly Soos has taken over from Rudolf Illovszky

FA, died of a cerebral attack in Budapest a fortnight ago.

Slavia Prague were undefeated on their 14-

national since beating Communist China 2-1 in the final of the GANEFO Games at Phnom-Penh, Cambodia, in November 1966. The Koreans, however, are planning a Amiens 4-2; Malakoff v. 0-0; Fiorentina v. Vicenza November 1966. The Koreans, however, are planning a

tour of China later this month. Josef Ujlaki, the former Hungarian-born French international forward, may accept a coaching position in the United States. Ujlaki at the moment is coaching an obscure regional French team.

Boone of Bruges is Belgium's Player of the Year for 1967. Belgium's top player award is called the "Golden Soccer Boot".

UK's transfer inflation

V. Arles 2-2.

GREECE: Olympiakos Piraturansfer of players during 1967. Players who were transferred for £100,000 sterling or more last year v. Panelefsinaikos 2-0; Vyzas were Jim Baxter, Alan Birchenhall and Mick v. PAOK 3-1; AEK v. Veria Palmas 2-0; Pontevedra v. Jones. Britain's astronomical transfer fees have angered many politicians throughout the country.

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V. Leixoes 2-1; Sanjoanense v. Tirsense 1-0; Porto v. Setubal 2-0; CUF v. Braga 1-2; Guimaraes v. Barreirense 3-0.

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Malaysia 2-1 in Bangkok on December 18. The series was a big flop. All teams withdrew and the final was the only match played.

A full-scale riot erupted in Hong Kong last month after Slavia Prague defeated a local XI 4-2. After a stormy match marred by brawls and expulsions, Chinese fans set fire to the terraces, overturned cars and battled with police for an hour. Similar events highlighted Australia's 3-1 win in Hong Kong in December 1965.

Substitutes will be permitted in Hungary this season. A field player and the goalkeeper can be replaced any time during a match.

Mario Corso, Inter Milan's brilliant international winger is sought after by Santos. Pele told his club he would like to play next to Corso, one of the best wing

Europe's quarterfinalists

The draw for the quarterfinals of the European Cup will be made in Paris this weekend. Seven of the quarterfinalists have already been determined. They are preliminary group winners Hungary, France, Bulgaria, USSR, Yugoslavia, Spain and Italy. The eighth country will be England or Scotland, who meet in a vital game in Glasgow on February 16. If England, who only need to draw to qualify, misses out, the first three of the 1966 World Cup will have been eliminated as Portugal and West Germany were knocked out by Bulgaria and Yugoslavia respectively.

North Korea, Indonesia Mexico-bound

Another two Asian countries will join Japan in the Olympic finals. Japan qualified at South Korea's expense in Tokyo last September but the second Asian finalist will only be known next week and the third in April. Thailand, Indonesia, Irak, Hong Kong and Pakistan start their qualifying round-robin in Bangkok this week and between March 17 and April 4 Israel, North Korea, Ceylon, India and Burma meet in Israel. Indonesia is favored to win the Bangkok tournament and North Korea, fielding their World Cup side. North Korea, fielding their World Cup side, should be too strong for Israel and Burma, their strongest challengers.

Latins' Olympic battle

South America's Olympic qualifying series will be played in Colombia from March 19 to April 10. The following countries will take part: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay and Venezuela in Group "A"; Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and Uruguay in Group "B". The first two in each group will meet in a final pool, also to be played as a round-robin. The winner and the runner-up qualify for Mexico. In the Central American Group, which will supply two finalists, only Costa Rica, Guatemala, Trinidad and El Salvador have entered. Costa Rica and El Salvador are favored.

German national team.

It his activities to coaching European Cup quarterst, Vasas.

Gyorgy Honti, 58, secretary of the Hungarian round): Ajaccio v. Rennes results, this week's matches postponed because of bad weather): Telstar v. NAC

Clause Prague were undefeated on their 14- Sochaux v. Bastia 5-1; Nimes weather): Telstar v. NAC

Marceille 1-0: Toulon v. Slavia Prague were undefeated on their 14match overseas tour. They returned home with 12 wins and two draws (against Victoria and Auckland). In their last two matches they beat Singapore 6-1 and a Combined Indian XI 3-0 at Madras.

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Kilmarnock, the Scottish First Division club, want to undertake an Asian and Australasian tour in May and June. They would like to play three or four matches in Australia, but will only be invited to Australia if the Ferencyaros tour falls through.

North Korea still haven't played a full international since beating Communist China 2-1 in the final Grenoble 3-0; Dijon v. Bes- 3-1; Inter Milan v. ancon 2-1; Brest v. Limoges 3-0; Juventus v. Spal 2-0; 1-0; Angouleme v. Pau 2-0; Mantova v. Bologna 0-0; Montelimar v. Cannes 2-1; Roma v. Torino 0-2; Varese Evreux v. Aulnoye 1-1; Que- v. Milan AC 2-1. villy v. Henin Lietard 2-0; Bourges 3-2; Montlucon v. Arles 2-2.

Aris v. Pierikos cancelled.

PORTUGAL: Varzim Mouzon v. Laval 2-0; Vannes v. Villenave 1-0; Annecy Benfica 1-1; Sporting Lisbon v. Belenenses 3-0; Academica v. Leixoes 2-1; Sanjoanense v.





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Micic to make debut COOK'S TOUR for Hellas on Friday

Another outstanding Ampol Cup double-header will be played on Friday night at Olympic Park when a crowd of around 10,000 is expected.

stiff task against Cup holders Slavia, ally up the middle where scribed as a winning move doubted pull in attack where while the clash between Hel- Willem Schroif in goal and las and George Cross, if it Billy Cook at centre half are measures up to the meetings key-players, the rest of the which have taken place be-rearguard adds up to the tween this pair in former strongest unit among the State

JUST v. Slavia

and takes some driving power out of the side.

However, the club management are not duly perturbed the Port Melbourne side. they will be a force in both But if they go into an early the cup and league competlead then JUST will have an ition this season.

They still look reasonably well set in defence where they have players of the calibre of Slavia will win. Rusmir, Rice and Handricks.

And this trio have plenty of experience to form a real

again pin their hopes on big vantage even before the kick-Welsh centre forward, Tony off in their clash with George Hughes, who stands on no Cross. ceremony in grabbing haif With a fairly stable form-chances which lead to goals. ation which will include

banking on big things from changes from last season. Bogdan Zlatic who joined the club late last season with a Cross are at a transitionary big reputation in Yugoslavian stage of rebuilding and may

of Sandy Jones who return- comers expected. home last season, are more or less unchanged and choose between the sides.

Solid in defence and especi- for Hellas can hardly be deshould keep the crowd League clubs and seldom has any opposition a joy-day against the reliable and steady Slavia defence.

Running into form, the Slavia attack has plenty of The loss of Frank Micic potential although all too to Hellas undoubtedly un-balanced the JUST defence their best and have been trailing the form and consist-ency shown by their defence.

It won't be a cake-walk for

outsize job in getting on level terms again.

SM Hellas v. George Cross

Up front, JUST will once Hellas have a distinct ad-

The JUST management are Frank Micic, they show few

On the other hand George show many changes depending Slavia, with the exception on the availability of new

In defence there's little to

The Victorian Ampol Cup now enters its 15th year, and until a few years ago the competition was known as the Sun Cup.

Past competition winners have been:

1955: JUST 1956: JUST 1957: JUST

1958: GEORGE CROSS 1959: JUVENTUS

1960: JUST 1961: GEORGE CROSS

1962: WILHELMINA

1963: POLONIA

1964: POLONIA

1965: GEORGE CROSS

1966: JUST

1967: SLAVIA

In the 1967 final, Slavia defeated Melbourne in the replay after the first game ended in a draw.

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At 7.45 p.m. JUST meets could even be strengthened Both are far from water- employs vastly different tact-Slavia, followed by SM-Hellas by the inclusion of at least tight in this department and ics and techniques from that v. George Cross at 9.10 p.m. one new player. The Greek side have an un-

> striker and plenty of pace. Kokinos could be the real threat to George Cross and it's on the cards that former

Pan Hellenic wing half, John-

with the task of shadowing this promising youngster who shows a flair for quick-time shooting and goal-grabbing. Irrespective of the superiority of Hellas at this stage, George Cross have never shown any inferiority complex

against their opponents in the past when many of their games finished level. On this occasion, however,

the fact that Hellas are much less changed and have the atsize job in getting on level yet, as he will take some time pull in attack favors them to to settle and become really open their account with a And that's why I reckon effective in a team which victory.

Cup starts with form reversals

The 1968 Ampol Cup got off to a flying start last Friday in Melbourne when the 8,000 fans who turned up were slightly disappointed with the form shown by all the sides, except Hakoah, but were treated to some spectacular

turn-up for the books and a reversal of last season's closing form.

FRANK MICIC

Hakoah thrashed Juventus 4-1, while the 1968 State League champions, Melbourne, who also won the Australia Cup, were downed by Croatia 0-2.

HAKOAH EASILY

Unchanged from last season's line-up, Hakoah, with a somewhat rearranged side which omitted giant centre-forward Ian Monan, went into action from the first whistle and had Juventus reeling from the start.

With a fine display of teamwork, by a side which was obviously well trained, they rattled on three goals in 26 minutes and had the points tucked away long

Armstrong, with a welltaken hat-trick, and Purdie shone in the Hakoah attack Middle Park side were almost flawless.

Juventus, who lost ace centre-half George Scott, John Milton, Terry Luck-hurst, John Bell and Freake Torcque, had a weak and unbalanced line-up which included reserve fullbacks Healey and Bonafieni.

Newcomer Tommy Mc-Coll from Adelaide had a quiet debut and suffered through lack of proper support in a lop-sided team in which goalkeeper Dieter Voigt had a most unhappy night when he was responsible for at least three of was a real gem. the goals which went past

Yards slower than Hakoah, it's obvious Juventus with their sluggish pace need a few more games to reach peak fitness.

Scorers: Armstrong (3), Scorers: Glase Purdie for Hakoah; Di tek for Croatia.

The results proved a MELBOURNE FLOP

Without Attila Abonyi, who was in Sydney for the ABC "Sportsman of the Year" presentation, and also minus right winger Peter Kurta, who has been suspended by the club for three competition games for playing in unauthorised games, Melbourne showed enforced changes and brought in Ray Pocock, their close-season buy from Sunshine City at centre-

In attack, Melbourne, who were the big noise in Australian soccer in 1967, never hit it off and in this department were struggling for most of the game.

It was just as well for the Australia Cup winners that their defence was in top form.

defence-wise the few days earlier returned from Scotland, after three-month trip in which he originally intended to stay back in his native

> The first half was quiet and neither Melbourne nor Croatia rose above medioc-

However, after half time, Croatia looked much more methodical and dangerous and their two goals were a fitting reward for their superiority in the last

The goal by Billy Vojtek

He waltzed past four Melbourne defenders in a brilliant solo burst before planking the ball well out Surma's reach with a grand parting shot.

Scorers: Glaser and Voj-

George Cross suffered a big disappointment last weekend when their former fullback John McDaid, who has been back in Scotland for the past 18 months, failed to arrive after the club had made all arrangements for his return.

clarify his position.

wing-half and captain who — Mc Intyre, McMeechan, has been overseas on a short Vojtek, J. McKay and Glaser. holiday since before Christmas, was due to arrive back is the most potent in Victoron Tuesday and could be included in their line-up against ny Sanchez, may be entrusted JUST.

Before coming to Australia

+ + JUST are likely to give an extended run to teenage wing- looked extremely fit, fast, er Raymond King, a product dedicated and well disciplinof the juniors, who has al-ed. ready appeared on several occasions in the first team

over the past two years. but has played almost all his soccer in Australia.

a boost and replacements for Ampol Cup. departed players, are likely to the league competition gets seldom misses a gilt-edged under way in March. + + +

Jim Armstrong, the Hakoah player of the Ampol Cup their placement of Bob Contournament to score a hat-nelly at wing-half even though trick in 1968.

Armstrong scored two hattricks in league soccer in 1967
and in one game went one
ward, it seems for the present + + +

There's still no sign of a than in defence. settlement between Croatia and wing-half Duncan McKay whom the club have suspend-

It seems reasonably certain on this occasion that this will touchline. be the parting of the ways between club and player and tithe former liventus (Adelpossibilities cannot be discounted that McKay will be target soon for another State League club.

Ti, the former Juventus (Adelaide) winghalf who is now 34, will quit the playing side of the game. League club.

er, Ambrose Morgan, who problem! joined the club almost three In a recent friendly fixture years ago, made a big im- they introduced John Bizas, a centre-forward, then reverted looked only fair. to defence and was out of the

The club have now sent an Morgan played for Newurgent and personal telegram port County, Morton and McDaid asking him to Toronto (Canada) before coming to Australia.

Tommy Randles, the Slavia Watch this quintet in 1968

The current Croatia attack ian soccer.

Manny Poulakakis, the forless than two years ago to mer Hakoah (Sydney) coach join Slavia, Randles made several first team appearances for Stoke City.

Mainly Foliakaks, the local mer Hakoah (Sydney) coach now with it's sister club in Melbourne, has obviously done a good job with his players during the off season. Against Juventus, Hakoah

Pat Reilly, the Raymond originally came centre-forward of George from Scotland with his parents, but has played almost "song" from Wilhelmina in mid-1967, has resolved his difficulties with the club after some dispute re signing terms Juventus, badly in need of and is rarin' to go in the

Not a spectacular player by have two experienced new- any means, Reilly nevertheless comers from overseas before positions himself well and chance to score.

+ + +

Melbourne, after inside forward who was rec-surprise defeat by Croatia, ently married became the first may have to think again in he is quite a success as an

better by notching four goals. at least that Connelly's services are more needed up front

+ + +

It seems certain that playerfor alleged breach of coach Mario Corti of Juventus will in future direct his team's operations from the

I have been told by a lead-

+ + +

Former JUST utility play- Have Hellas a goalkeeping

pression in his first year at newcomer from Greece who

Regular goalie in 1967 wsa team all last season, has re- Heinz Wenzl, the former Ha-

ATTILA BOOKED

Melbourne HSC star Attila Abonyi is certain to come to Sydney — at least on his honeymoon.

Abonyi gets married on February 24 and next day arrives in Sydney with his

While in Sydney last week for the ABC's "Sportsman of the Year" show at which he was interviewed, Abonyi said he was determined to play for St. George-Budapest this

He said he would not even olay in the Victorian Ampol

Cup.

It seems certain that the Melbourne club will decide about Abonyi's future within a week or two now that vice-president Andy Kun has returned from Europe.

The so-called Victorian transfer "ban" on Australian representative players will not be enforced if the Melbourne



club agree to let the player some wild guesses, is likely to be very reasonable.

TOP EUROPEAN HONORS LISTED

Russia gains first spot among nations

About this time of the year it is all but traditional for large European sporting newspapers to publish various ranking lists.

The majority of these known and authoritative is that of "France Football."

Early in January "F.F." published its ranking of European countries on 1967 results and achievements.

> This was their ranking: 1. USSR.

Hungary and Italy.

4. England.

Bulgaria 6. East and West Ger-

many. 8. Yugoslavia.

Czechoslovakia. 10. Spain and Portugal.

Then in order, follows: Scotland, France, Switzer-land, Denmark, Rumania, Belgium, Greece, Holland, Poland, Austria, Norway, Sweden, Turkey, Albania, Luxembourg, Finland and

Cyprus. Eire, Iceland, Northern Ireland and Wales had insufficient results to be

It is more than likely that "France Football's" ranking is as fair and accurate as you can get.

The whole of Europe didn't have one country in 1967 that really stood out.

England suffered a pain-ful home defeat to Scotland while the Russians lost Towly Austria and Hol-

West Germany were Hungarian defeats occurred beaten by Rumania and, in matches with nothing even more astonishingly, drew with Albania and got eliminated from the European Championships.

The Italians remained unbeaten in 1967 — but played only six matches and all against humble opposi-

on, yet they drew twice. There is no doubt that ther the USSR or either the Hungary should be ranked

matches, won 12, drew two and lost two.

At home their record is five wins and one draw -a shock 2-2 against Switzerland.

Away from home the Russians won seven, drew one and lost two.

Their impressive away concern soccer and the best wins included matches had a positive international known and authoritative is against Scotland, France, record for the first time in Bulgaria and Chile and a

> Hungary played 10, won (twice) and lost to Hungeight and lost two, to East ary and West Germany. Germany and Mexico.

only three times at home
— and won all — and seven times away, winning

During 1967 they never met in direct opposition.

However, they both played several countries which can give a line of comparison.

The Russians beat Mexico 2-0 in Moscow — the Hungarians first lost 1-2 to them, then defeated them 2-0, both times in Mexico

The Russians beat Austria 4-3 in Moscow, then lost to them 1-0 in Vienna, in European Championship ties; Hungary beat Austria 3-1 in Vienna.

Finally, the Russians defeated Chile 4-1 and the Hungarians beat them 5-4, both in Santiago.

These comparisons would indicate that perhaps Hungary deserved at least to share the lead with the Russians — if for no other reason than because both Hungarian defeats occurred at stake, while the surprise Russian fiasco in swept them to the verge of elimination from the European Championships.

The two Germanies tied for sixth place — a comedown for West Germany, beaten by Yugoslavia and Rumania and sensationally held to a 0-0 draw by Albania, but a confirmation of the emerging East Ger-The Russians played 16 mans, who were only beaten in two of their 14 games, by Hungary and Holland, the European Championship.

Yugoslavia owe eighth place essentially to their surprise qualification for the European Championship quarterfinals,

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Yugoslavia, four years. They beat West

ermany and Mexico. Czechoslovakia, placed
The Hungarians played ninth, would have rated
aly three times at home higher without a shock 1-2 loss to Eire in Prague in pionship preliminary round match

> Otherwise the Czechs' results were good: four wins, a draw and two defeats.

Iberian neighbors, Spain and Portugal, share 10th place, both with mixed results in 1967

Portugal had a disastrous European Championship campaign, winning a mere point out of four from Bulgaria, while Spain only made the quarterfinals as a result of Czechoslovakia's surprise home defeat to Eire.

Of the other countries among the 28 listed, France, winners of their elimination European Championship group, jumped from 18th in 1966 to 13th, just be-hind Scotland, whose only achievement was the win against England in London.

The Swiss, too, are on the mend. They held Russia to 2-2 in Moscow, thrashed Rumania 7-1 and held Italy to 2-2 in their first leg clash of the Euro-pean Championship to tie

competition.

present quota laws.

nual General Meeting decided that the quota

ruling would again be en-

Actually the meeting

voted that the local content

this season would increase

from three to four players.

The present definition of

an Australian is any player

born here, or who migrated

to Australia before the age

The Management Com-

, They will recommend

that any player who settled

here before he was 20, and not 18, and who is a naturalised citizen should

qualify as an Australian in

to the definition.

however, with France in 13th posi-

Belgium, for the first time in nine years, are not Germany, Holland, Albania among the first 15 European nations as they only eat Luxembourg twice, and Holland and were beaten twice by Poland.

Austria and Sweden are still in the dumps, and their last European Cham- have to be content to share a depressing 21st ranking.

> Eire, Wales, Northern Ireland, Iceland and Malta were not ranked because of insufficient international appearances in 1967.

The European ratings for 1966 were:

1 England 2 West Germany, Portugal

4 USSR 5 Hungary,

Italy 7 East Germany

8 Rumania, Sweden

10 Bulgaria, Spain.

Holland 13 Belgium, Yugoslavia.

Czechoslovakia 16 Austria,

France. Poland

20 Scotland, N. Ireland

22 Switzerland

23 Finland, Norway

25 Denmark,

Quota law

may change

The meeting has been The liberalisation of the called by the NSW Federa- definition of an Australian

tion Management Com- player will make it easy for

mittee to quell discontent clubs to fill their quota as

among the ranks of some any British player will be

Last November's An- months' residence.

unhappy with the eligible to qualify as

Australian after only 12

The Management Com

four Australians per team,

but the new definition of the term "Australian" will

render the quota law com-

the Management Commit-

tee's recommendation to

alter a ruling which proved

genuine local players.

There is no need

We cannot agree with

pletely ineffectual.

A special Council meeting on January 31

Hungarian star Florian Albert, due to visit Australia in July with his club Ferencyaros, was voted Europe's "Player of the Year."

sportswriter by profession, Pirri (Real Madrid) 8, Strelheaded the voting well ahead zov (Torpedo Moscow) 6, Riof Bobby Charlton (Manva (Cagliari) 6, Bychevetz chester United), Johnstone (Dynamo Kiev) 5, Rivera (AC (Celtic), Beckenbauer (Bayern Milan) 4, Ball (Everton) 4, Munchen) and Eusebio (Ban-Beller (Releann) 44 United (Celtic), Beckenbauer (Bayern Milan) 4, Ball (Everton) 4, Munchen) and Eusebio (Ban-Beller (Releann) 4, Munchen) Munchen) and Eusebio (Ben- Haller (Bologna) 4, Luban-

asked to vote in the ballot, the "Golden Ball".

Sivori, Masopust, Yachin, Law, Eusebio and Charlton.

garian player has been so 'knighted" in this universally recognized French honors list.

placed Albert first on their

In one slot or another, he figured on the list of 18 voters.

All such lists, of course, are suspect as strong national feelings often sway sane judg-

This year, however, there was little evidence of this.

Only three journalists named a player from their own country first: the Hungarian the Northern Irish (Best) and the Russian (Streltzov).

Best eventually finished eighth on the list.

However, Streltzov's top vote by his compatriot was odd as he only received one more vote (a fifth) from the other 23 journalists.

Some British votes appear somewhat biased.

England's Brian Glanville put three Britons in his first Best 1, Johnstone 2 and Hurst 4.

Northern Ireland's Dermot will consider revising the controversial quota ruling which prevails in the Sydney First Division British players — Johnstone 2, Gemmell 3 and Charlton 4.

> Best, of course, is another Northern Irishman while Johnstone and Gemmell play for Celtic, the famous "Irish" club of Glasgow.

mittee will recommend that Portugal) have not listed even kow. the quota this year remains one.

ated the scene.

Beckenbauer and Gemmell rain to shake hands with the were defenders; of the total of 34 vote-getters 29 are After the game, Melita forwards.

ing was:

The Management Com-mittee will suggest changes forcing clubs to unearth Albert (Ferencyaros) 68
pts., B. Charlton (Manchester
Utd.) 40, Johnstone (Celtic)
39, Beckenbauer (Bayern

Marrickville which was attended by more than 400
people.

— Charles Spiteri to Munchen) 37, Eusebio (Benfica) 26, Gemmell (Celtic) 21, tamper with the quota law just to enable a few disble a few disble to take the
ble to take the satisfied clubs to take the

The 26-year-old Albert, a Farkas (Vasas Budapest) 8,

Leading soccer writers of chetti (Inter Milan) 3, Cebi24 European countries were nac (FC Nurnberg) 3, Van Himst (Anderlecht) 3, Hurst (West Ham) 3, Overath (Munannually conducted by the (West Ham) 3, Overath (Mun-Parisian "France Football", chen 1860) 3, Voronin (Tor-who also donate to the winner (Lokernetic Sefie) 2, Rotter pedo Moscow) 2, Kotkov (Lokomotiv Sofia) 2, Pilot Past winners since 1956 rino) 1, De Felipe (Real have been Matthews, Di Stefano (twice), Kopa, Suarez, Sivori, Masopust, Yachin, Law, Eusebio and Charlton. Cruyff (Ajax Amsterdam) 1 This is the first time a Hun- Bjerregaard (Rapid Vienna) 1.

Of the 24 journalists, eight Maltese VIP

What promised to be soccer's first dress rehearsal for the 1968 season was utterly marred by the shocking weather conditions at Wentworth Park last Sunday.

A crowd of more than 1,000 people braved the elements and turned out to see Pan Hellenic play Hakoah and Melita Eagles meet

The first match saw Pan Hellenic beat Hakoah 1-0.

Although keenly contested, both sides were much below their normal selves.

The main match of the afternoon, APIA v. Melita Eagles, staged as an exhibition match for the visiting Maltese Leader of the Opposition, Dom Mintoff, was a one-sided encounter APIA won easily 6-0.

A feature of the game was Ashmore was slightly more the appearance for the first blatant: his first four were time of many new players in both sides.

APIA fielded inside-right Giulio Nicoli and centre-half Luigi Crino, two new imports from Fourth Division Italian clubs.

Melita Eagles' line-up in-cluded Dave Goldie and Steof the other 22 non-British journalists not one put more than two British players on junior players such as Gary Juested and W. Wolowszcy-

Dom Mintoff, accompanied As usual, forwards domin- by Jim Bayutti, defied the weather, and amid the roars In the first five four were of the Maltese crowd, went forwards, in the first 19 only out on the field in drizzling

After the game, Melita Eagles held a farewell dinner The full result of the vot- in honor of the Maltese leadtheir clubrooms in

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